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Title: Demand for maintenance, installation of equipments to rule out untoward incidents of gas leakage at ONGC in East Godavari District of Andhra Pradesh.

SHRI THOTA NARASIMHAM (KAKINADA): Thank you, Madam Speaker. ...(*Interruptions*) In our East Godavari District of Andhra Pradesh, ONGC pipelines have been running through 123 villages. ...(*Interruptions*) A number of gas leakage incidents, including blow-outs, took place in these villages causing irreparable loss to men and material. ...(*Interruptions*) Absence of protective mechanism and timely maintenance of these pipelines is causing untoward incidents and leading to casualties in large numbers in these villages. ...(*Interruptions*) Even though, dehydration units are established, the maintenance is so poor. ...(*Interruptions*) A small human error costs lives of the people. ...(*Interruptions*)

Hence, I would request the hon. Minister for Oil and Natural Gas to instruct the officers of ONGC, East Godavari to always be attentive towards maintenance; install the best-in-class equipment; and rule-out untoward incidents in the future. ...(*Interruptions*) Thank you, Madam. ...(*Interruptions*)